

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE
BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS AND SAFETY
VALPARAISO, INDIANA
JANUARY 13, 2005

The Board of Public Works and Safety met at 10:00am on Thursday, January 13, 2005. Present were Clerk Treasurer Sharon Emerson Swihart and Board Members Dave Pilz and John Hardwick.

Mr. Pilz called the meeting to order and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

MINUTES AND CLAIMS

Mr. Pilz moved the minutes of the previous meeting be approved, seconded by Mr. Hardwick and so approved.

Mr. Hardwick moved for approval of claims subject to appropriation balances, seconded by Mr. Pilz and so approved.

ITEM 1-PUBLIC WORKS 2005 FUEL BID

Mr. Oeding explained through the bid process for materials and services in 2004 the fuel bids were rejected and permission was granted by the Board to re-bid to further define the specs. The bid was re-advertised with this date as the opening. CT Swihart opened and announced the one bid as that of Baird & Marine Petroleum, Inc. Mr. Pilz read the bid.

Category 1-quantities of 100,000 gal gasoline 87oct-1.4625 per gallon
2-85,000 gal diesel #2 low sulfur-1.3435
3-75,000 gal bio-diesel-1.418
4-1,000 gal diesel additive-0.025

Mr. Oeding recommended acceptance of the bid as read, Mr. Pilz moved to accept the bid of Baird & Marine, seconded by Mr. Hardwick subject to bid review and so approved.

ITEM 2-USE OF IVY TECH DRIVE RIGHT OF WAY

Mr. Pilz stated Ivy Tech requested to utilize a portion of the right of way on Ivy Tech Drive-the cul de sac running off Eastport Center Drive leading to their new facility. They propose to install landscaping and privately owned and maintained lighting that requires BOW approval. He moved for approval as the plan is in order, seconded by Mr. Hardwick and so approved.

Mr. Hardwick added the water mains are located in right of ways and parkways. The Water Department has had increasing and continuing concern about private things being in the right of way (sprinklers, private lighting, etc) when they need to dig and may unknowingly cut through a private installation. The Department policy is not to replace it. He feels this issue needs to be considered by the City Engineer's office, Public Works Department and the City Utilities to

set a standard or requirements on private things in public utilities. Mr. Pilz agreed and amended the motion to indicate that before installation Ivy Tech will need to check with Mr. Hardwick and get utility locations. Mr. Hardwick seconded and so approved.

ITEM 3-KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS TOOTSIE ROLL SALES

The Knights of Columbus request their annual Tootsie Roll Sale Drive for May 13/14 or weather dates May 20/21 at various establishments throughout the City. Mr. Pilz moved for approval, seconded by Mr. Hardwick and so approved.

ITEM 4-VALPARAISO FAMILY YMCA SPRING RACE

The YMCA request their Ringing in the Spring 5K Road Race for Saturday, April 2, 2005. Lynda Zyla asked conditional approval subject to Police/Fire/Public Works recommendation. Mr. Pilz moved for conditional approval, seconded by Mr. Hardwick and so approved.

LEADERSHIP TEAM REPORTS

John Siebert stated on behalf of the Mayor and Bill Hanna, the Mayor is in Indianapolis today greeting the inaugural ATA flight from Gary to Indy. Bill Hanna is on the flight. The Mayor is meeting with members of the Daniels Administration and with State legislators as well.

Chief Brickner stated January 11th they hired George Topool as Technical Administrator for the Code Enforcement Division under the VPD.

Craig Phillips asked Vicki Thrasher to give an update on the property at the NW corner of Lincolnway and Campbell (fire damaged) and the status on the new Building Ordinance project. The remaining building has been demolished. There are still burned out cars that the insurance companies and vehicle owners need to work out for removal. A cement wall remains for protection near the alley. The Building Ordinance was submitted to the state and returned for recommended changes then resubmitted. Hopefully it will be before the Council in February with the new fee schedule.

Mr. Pilz on behalf of the BOW welcomed Tyler Kent as the new Assistant Planner.

Linda Zyla stated on Tuesday the Chamber will host their annual luncheon highlighting Chamber activities and the Mayors State of the City address. Also over \$25,000 has been raised for the American Red Cross Fundraising Drive. A number of corporate as well as private citizens are working to raise this dollar amount to the \$50,000 goal by January 31st. The Federal Government did enact legislature ruling that making a donation to the tsunami disaster fund can be used on 2004 taxes.

Steve Doniger said the Park Department is pleased to announce that working with the Mayor and City Administrator Siebert they will be unveiling the Mayors

City Initiative in February. They are happy to have Amy Dale of the recreation division working with them who has championed this cause.

Mr. Hardwick stated as far as the Water Reclamation Department is concerned unfortunately starting midnight we begin bypassing because of (inaudible)

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.